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REPORTS

Assistant Director for Operations

3 March 1955

Chief, FBID

Progress Report for February 1955

OPERATIONS

1. Five propaganda analysis papers were prepared for limited distribution during the month, the most important one being a summary of observations on the antecedents and possible consequences of Malenkov's resignation. Another, prepared with respect to the Director's meeting with GCB on the AEC radioactive fall-out release, was subsequently issued as Radio Propaganda Report. Three Radio Propaganda Reports were issued in support of scheduled national estimates, and one as an aid to the US delegation at the SEATO conference. A summary of the latter was cabled to the DD(I) in Bangkok.

2. In the final stages of Rand Corporation's investigation of propaganda analysis activities, conferences are being held on Alexander George's draft report.

3. Editorial highlights:

a. The decree of the plenum of the CPSU Central Committee, the Khrushchev statistical report to the plenum, and reports on the USSR State Budget and the Supreme Soviet sessions were carried in full on the "B" Wire as well as in the Daily Report as soon as received.

b. Annual plan fulfillment reports from all Soviet Republics, except Latvia and the Kirgiz Republic, were published in full in the Daily Report. Plans for the two exceptions have not yet been broadcast.

c. Output of Economic Abstracts cards has averaged 6,000 per month since October.

d. Dissemination of material from the Communist clandestine "Free Greece" radio to non-governmental recipients in the unclassified Daily Report was discontinued in view of protests of the Greek Embassy to the State Department.

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a. Daily roundups of radio reaction to the SDAO Council meeting in Bangkok were filed to the R2/I at Bangkok for use in briefing the US delegation.

b. Limited FBIS wire service via the Pentagon Signal Center to the US-UN Delegation at New York was discontinued after one week's operation at the request of Ambassador Lodge. Special selections are now being forwarded by mail from State Department. Interference with State's wire to the UN, and high cost of leasing a special wire are understood to be the reasons for the request to discontinue service.

c. The direct wire line from East Coast Bureau to VOA, Washington is in frequent use for transmitting live broadcasts to VOA.

5. Communications:

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a. A long standing communication problem relating to the transmission of flash information was resolved by receipt of permission from the Army to utilize "Operations Immediate" precedence from any FBIS bureau under appropriate conditions.

b. In connection with a study of possible measures to cushion BBC budgetary curtailment, the physical possibility of substituting Army Signals for the commercial circuit between Cyprus and London, for which BBC pays, was investigated. It was learned that traffic could be handled as far as Heidelberg but could not readily be carried to London on available circuits.

c. In connection with an investigation by Office of Communications of alternate Okinawa communications circuits through USAF, the Army requested a documentation of all difficulties encountered by the FBIS Okinawa Bureau with transmissions via ACAS, in the hope of rectifying these conditions and eliminating the need for supplementary services via USAF.

d. Interception at the East Coast Bureau of the Cable and Wireless circuit carrying the Mediterranean Bureau file to London was discontinued, following a request from the Chief Engineer BBC Monitoring Service for frequency information on the circuit. FBIS has never acknowledged to BBC that it has monitored this traffic since the legal implications are not clear.

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6. FBID provided the following special services during the month:

- a. A report on current broadcasting developments in the East European Satellites for OMR.
- b. A detailed report on the sponsorship and apparent political leanings of Latin American broadcasting stations for USIA.
- c. A list of the names of all candidates in the Japanese Diet Elections, for the Department of State.

7. Preparatory to consideration at the forthcoming FBIS-BBC Coordination Committee meeting, BBC provided a list of all programs and services which it proposes to discontinue because of budgetary curtailment. FBID views were communicated to the BBC.

8. Following an inquiry from the DCI as to why FBID did not provide a copy of Zhukov's speech on 22 February in observance of the Soviet Armed Forces Day, a suggestion was made to the BBC that it might be possible under the terms of its arrangements with Reuters to protest non-receipt of this important speech on the TASS Hellascriber services to which Reuters is a subscriber and BBC in effect is a subscriber. The speech was not broadcast.

9. Mr. John McGruder of the Clark Committee of the Hoover Commission on Organization of the Executive branch of the Government visited the West Coast, Okinawa, and Tokyo Bureaus, on 4, 13, and 15 February. Colonel Dubbeldes of the same committee visited Frankfurt on 14 February where he conferred with the Bureau Chief but did not visit the bureau, and London on 25 February.

10. Memoranda were addressed by the AD/O to the DD/P and the Senior Representative, Germany, requesting that negotiations for the protection of US intelligence interests in Germany during the NATO period include FBID activities.

FACILITIES

11. [] completed a survey of locations in Bangkok for emergency South East Asia coverage. Preliminary reports indicate that his mission was successfully accomplished.

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12. Okinawa Construction:

- a. Housing construction under Project DD/I-156-54 is 70% complete.
- b. The underground power line extension to the operations site is 83% complete.
- c. Electronic wiring in the new monitoring wing addition is complete.

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operations site is in progress.

e. Plans and specifications were completed by the Okinawa Engineer District for housing construction authorized under Project DD/I-172-55. Bids will be advertised soon.

13. A requisition was submitted to Logistics for procurement of two automatic Morse code-toletype converters for the East Coast Bureau. Delivery is expected within eight months. All FBID code monitors were informed by letter that this equipment, which will perform automatically functions which they now perform manually, is being procured and that some reduction in personnel will necessarily follow. Each individual was requested to make his personal desires known in order that reassignments can conform to individual circumstances to the greatest possible extent.

14. A letter was addressed to the Chairman FOC from the DA/CI requesting space and support for a one-man FBID cruising operation in San Juan, Puerto Rico. After FOC advised that the space which FBID anticipated using would not be available, a request was sent to G-2, Department of the Army, for permission to survey facilities in military installations in Puerto Rico for this purpose.

ADMINISTRATION

15. Investigation of the possibility of the Government Printing Office assuming responsibility for publishing and disseminating the FBID publication "Broadcasting Stations of the World" indicate that dissemination problems could be largely resolved, and cost to CIA could be substantially reduced. An effort to reach a conclusion in this matter will be made in March since a new edition is virtually ready for publication.

16. Downward revision of the Okinawa Bureau foreign national wage scale was proposed to Classification and Page Division. The proposals will reduce the disparity in foreign national salaries at Okinawa and other bureaus, at the same time providing reasonable and adequate compensation at rates higher than elsewhere. Office of the General Counsel informally opined that it will be legal to terminate existing contracts and to offer new contracts after a suitable period of notice. AD/O approval of this action is being sought.

17. Personnel:

a. A proposed revision of the FBID/OO Classified Table of Organization was submitted to the Management Staff. The revision affects the overseas field bureaus, and reduces the T/O to the ceiling.

b. The Saigon Bureau Table of Organization was increased by

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one native Teletype Operator position.

c. Captain Lyman Wooster, US Army Reserve, performed 15 days temporary duty in a military status with FBID 1-21 February. Captain Wooster is a civilian employee of G-2, Department of the Army.

d. During February three employees entered on duty and four resigned or transferred. FBID classified on-duty strength at the end of February was eight under ceiling.

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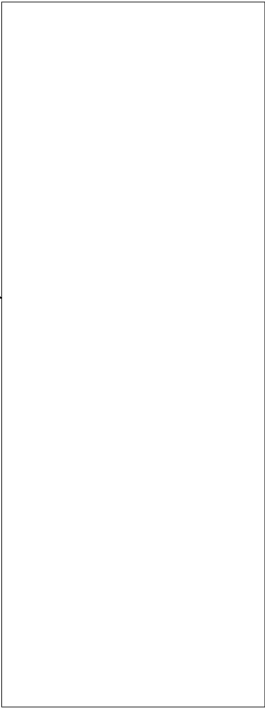
Enclosures:

- I. Field Bureau Production
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- III. Personnel Supplement

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00 Career Service Program - Training Activities (cont.)



Language Conversation Seminar 28 October 1954 - February 1955	Internal
George Washington University 7 October 1954 - 24 January 1955	External
Elementary French Reading 21 September 1954 - 8 January 1955	Internal
Management School 19 November - 3 December 1954	Internal
Shorthand 15 November - 3 December 1954	Internal
Typing 15 November - 3 December 1954	Internal
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute Washington, D.C. November 1954 - November 1957	External
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute Washington, D.C. November 1954 - November 1957	External
Intelligence Principles and Methods 22 November - 20 December 1954	Internal
Spoken French September 1954 - January 1955	Internal

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I. Daily Average of Field Bureau Production, February 1955.
 Average computed on basis of 5-day week.

FIELD BUREAU	HOURS MONITORED	WORDAGE FILED	ITEMS FILED	ITEMS PUBLISHED
Austria	5	4,600*	21*	8*
East Coast	131	22,300	118	43
Germany	21	8,920*	49*	32*
Hokkaido	15	9,350	93	80
London	283	63,000	120	113
Mediterranean	78	20,500	143	132
Okinawa	94	25,100	124	108
Saigon	20	7,700*	31*	20*
Tokyo	26	10,700*	33*	23*
West Coast	<u>90</u>	<u>31,000</u>	<u>172</u>	<u>111</u>
Totals	763	203,170	904	593

*Includes press scrutiny.

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2. Personnel Entering on Duty

<u>Name, Title, Grade</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>
<div></div>	Editorial Branch	7 February 1955
	East Coast Bureau GS-4	27 February 1955
	Editorial Branch	21 February 1955

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3. Promotions

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>New Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>
<div></div>	Info Sp(For Edcat), GS-7 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Edcat), GS-9 Editorial Branch	13 February 1955
	Chauffeur, CPC-3 East Coast Bureau	Chauffeur, CPC-4 East Coast Bureau	13 February 1955

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4. Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Grade, Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>
<div></div>	Clerk (Steno), GS-5 Engineering Staff	11 February 1955
	Clerk-Typist, GS-4 Radio Propaganda Branch	25 February 1955

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Separations (Cont.)

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Prop Anal Officer, GS-7
Radio Propaganda Branch

20 February 1955

5. Military Furlough

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Name

Title, Grade, Assignment

Date

[Redacted]

Prop Anal Officer, GS-12
Radio Propaganda Branch

14 February 1955

6. OO Career Service Program

a. Training Activities

[Redacted]

The Russian Institute - Columbia University
September 1953 - June 1955

External

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Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C.
March 1954 - March 1957

External

Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C.
June 1954 - June 1957

External

Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C.
July 1954 - January 1957

External

Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C.
July 1954 - January 1957

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Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C.
July 1954 - January 1957

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Tri-State College - Angola, Indiana
27 September 1954 - 26 August 1956

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Language Conversation Seminar 28 October 1954 - February 1955	Internal	50X1
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C. November 1954 - November 1957	External	
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C. November 1954 - November 1957	External	
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C. September 1954 - September 1957	External	
Basic Management Course 31 January - 11 February 1955	Internal	
Teletype Maintenance Course 31 January - 18 February 1955	Internal	
Capitol Radio Engineering Institute - Washington, D.C. February 1955 - February 1957	External	
Clerical Refresher 7 - 25 February 1955	Internal	
Elementary German 7 February - 27 May 1955	Internal	
Elementary German 7 February - 27 May 1955	Internal	
Elementary Russian, Phase VI 7 February - 27 May 1955	Internal	
Elementary Russian, Phase VI 7 February - 27 May 1955	Internal	
Elementary German 7 February 1955 - 27 May 1955	Internal	

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00 Career Service Program - Training Activities (Cont.)



Russian Familiarization
7 February - 27 May 1955

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French
7 February - 27 May 1955

Internal

Basic Supervision
14 - 28 February 1955

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Basic Supervision
14 - 28 February 1955

Internal

Elementary Russian Reading
7 February - 27 May 1955

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7. Foreign Travel

None

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II. LOCAL SERVICES RENDERED BY FIELD BUREAUS

East Coast Bureau

Daily distribution of the epidemiological bulletin of the World Health Organization is made to the World Health Organization and U.S. Department of Public Health, Washington, and FEAF, Tokyo.

West Coast Bureau

All Peking Morse and processed voice material, NCNA (Pyongyang), Soviet regional material and other press items dealing with Burma, Malaya, and Indochina are filed to FEC and Eighth Army, Tokyo. All Peking NCNA Morse material is sent to Ryukyus Command. Selected Peking NCNA material is sent to the 5th Air Force. NCNA material is sent to the American Embassy, Seoul. Peking Mandarin processed material and urgent material from Peking English and Soviet regionals is sent to BBC. Weather reports from Soviet regionals are forwarded to FBIS Tokyo for the Japanese Cabinet Research Chamber.

Tokyo Bureau

All processed intercepts are sent to PayWar and G-2, AFCE. Far East Air Force receives material monitored from Radio Free Japan, Peking in Korean and Japanese, Pyongyang in Japanese, and Moscow in Japanese, Korean and Mandarin. Fifth Air Force in Korea receives Pyongyang material in Japanese. Peking material in Korean and Pyongyang material in Japanese is filed to the Eighth Army and USIS, Korea. USIA, Formosa receives all Peking material in Tibetan. Selected material including Kyodo and Jiji releases and Radio Free Japan intercepts are furnished Civil Information and Education Section, U.S. Civil Administration, Ryukyus. All intercepts comment on the military and political situation in the Ryukyus are filed for the Attention of G-2, Ryukyus Command. The American Embassy in Tokyo receives all Radio Free Japan intercepts and all Peking comment on Thailand affairs. Intercepts from Moscow (in Japanese, Mandarin, Korean and Mongolian), Peking (in Japanese, Korean, Tibetan, Mongolian and press material in Mandarin), Taipei (in Korean and Japanese), and Pyongyang (in Japanese) are furnished the Japanese Cabinet Research Chamber. The Japanese National Police Agency are furnished with schedules and frequencies of all Japanese language broadcasts from Communist transmitters.

Hokkaido Bureau

All processed intercepts are furnished FEC/UNC, FEAF, and FBIS for Documents Research Section in Tokyo, PsyWar Division of AFCE at Camp Zama, Far East Command Liaison Detachment in Sapporo, and the British Broadcasting Corporation in London. Weather reports from USSR regional coverage are sent to FEC/UNC, PayWar Division of AFCE, Far East Command Liaison Detachment, and FBIS, Tokyo, for Documents Research Section and the Japanese Cabinet Research Chamber. All intercepts (and weather reports) from Soviet Sakhalin are sent to Counter Intelligence Corps, Region VI, Sapporo.

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All processed intercepts are filed to G-2 FEC/UNC in Tokyo and to PayWar Division and G-2, AFPE, at Camp Zama. All processed material from Communist Chinese and North Korean stations is transmitted to Intelligence Section, FEAF, Tokyo. Selected items from North Korean radios and political-military material processed from Peking broadcasts are filed to 5th Air Force, Nagoya, Japan. All Korean material is filed to the U.S. Embassy in Seoul. The Forward Comment Post of the 8th Army in Seoul is supplied with Pyongyang and Peking Korean language intercepts. Logs of Vietnam News Agency programs, material from Viet Minh radios, GME (unidentified Communist station), Chinese home and regional services, and Chinese numeral code transmissions are sent to FBIS, Saigon, for local dissemination. Selected Pyongyang, Peking, Vietnam, Moscow, Indonesia, Thailand and Mongolia material is supplied to G-2, Ryukyus Command and USCAR. Items concerning the Ryukyus and political or military developments in Korea, Communist China, Formosa and Indochina are sent to the 20th Air Force, Okinawa. All summaries and processed copy from Communist Chinese broadcasts are supplied to Composite Service Unit, Okinawa. Far East Network newscasts emanating from Tokyo are channeled through the Bureau to the Far East Network, Okinawa, at the request of Troop Information and Education Section, Ryukyus Command. All Communist Chinese material is filed to USIS, Taipei.

Saigon Bureau

All processed material is filed to FEC, Tokyo, and furnished to the Political and Liaison Sections of the American Embassy, Progress Support Division of FOA, and USIS, Saigon. Selected material is sent to the Economic Section of the American Embassy and the Military Attaches, Saigon. Selected material concerning their areas is sent to the U.S. Embassy, Phnom Penh, Cambodia, and the U.S. Legation, Vientiane, Laos.

Mediterranean Bureau

Middle East Roundups, prepared five times weekly from material broadcast by area transmitters and from material beamed to area by Soviet Regional stations, are airmailed to the American Embassies in Beirut, Cairo, Baghdad, and Tel Aviv. Selected Balkan material is airmailed to the American Embassy, Athens. Processed items relating to Cyprus are sent to the Colonial Secretary and the Security Liaison Officer, both in Nicosia.

Austrian Bureau

All processed material is filed to Public Information Division, USAF Headquarters, and to the 7664th Signal Technical Intelligence Team, both in Salzburg. The daily Austrian press Review is supplied to the Political Division, U.S. Embassy, Vienna; the monthly Economic Report to the Reports and Statistical Branch, U.S. Operations Mission, Vienna; and items dealing with the WFTU to the Labor and Social Administration Branch of the Economic Division, U.S. Embassy, Vienna.

German Bureau

All processed material is filed to the Office of Public Affairs and the Office of

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Political Affairs, HICOG, Bonn-Mehlem, and to the 7997th Composite Group, Frankfurt. The weekly Economic Report is sent to the Commercial Attache Division and the Eastern Economic Affairs Division, HICOG. The 7997th Composite Group receives selected material of a technical nature, a weekly East German Newspaper Clipping Report, a weekly Editorial Emphasis Report, and Special Scrutiny Reports as requested. A copy of the East German Newspaper Clipping Report is sent to a client in HICOG. All intercepts from Radio Volga are sent to the Munich studios of the Voice of America and FBIS, London, for the EBC.

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London Bureau

Daily reviews of USSR, Satellite and East German broadcasts are delivered to local users in London and sent to consumers in Western Europe by wire, including: [redacted] CINCELM, London; H-2, EUCOM; G-2, Frankfurt, SHAPE, Paris; and VOA, Munich. A 33,000 word selection from Soviet and Satellite broadcasts monitored at London and the Mediterranean Bureau is transmitted daily by wire from London to Munich studios of the Voice of America, and to (the) FBIS German Bureau for the 7997th Composite Group, Frankfurt Military Post. (Material on the subject of French colonialism is sent to USIS, Paris.)

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